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THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), will despatch the S. S. ARCOT, 1,782 Tons, 200 H. P., Commander J. Henderson, as above, on SATURDAY, the 12th January 1878.

The Arcot is fitted in the usual style of the Company's vessels, and has excellent accommodation for 24 First-class Passengers and 16 Second-class.

For Freight or passage apply to

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

WEEKLY STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under contract with Government, will despatch the S. S. "CALCUTTA," 863 Tons, 120 H. P., Commander T. P. Nailer, on SATURDAY, the 5th January 1878, at 4 p.m., calling at Ratnagherry, Vingorla, Goa, Carwar, Mangalore, Cannanore, Tellicherry, Calicut, Beypore, Cochin, Alleppey, Tuticorin, Colombo, Negapatam, Pondicherry, Madras, Sealipatam, Coconada, Vizagapatam, Bimlipatam, Gopalpore, False Point, and at any other place where inducement offers.

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WEEKLY STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF, VIA KURRACHEE, Interchanging Cargo and Passengers at Bussorah, to and from Bagdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company or other Steamers.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch the S.S. COCONADA, 862 Tons, 120 H. P., Commander A. Morris, on THURSDAY, the 10th January 1878, at 4 p. m., to the PERSIAN GULF, touching at KURRACHEE, GWADER, JASK, BUNDERABBAS, LINGA, BUSHIRE, FAO, BUSSEH, and occasionally at BAHREIN and MAHOMERAH.

N.B—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

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THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, will, during the fair season, despatch a Steamer to Kurrachee every THURSDAY at 4 p.m., and an Extra Steamer in every TUESDAY at 10 a.m.

The S. S. "YINGORLA," 578 Tons, 120 H. P., Commander R. D. Dougherty, on TUESDAY, the 8th January 1878, at 10 a. m., calling at Veraval, Mangrole, Pore Bander, and Cutch Mandvie.

The S. S. COCONADA, 862 Tons, 120 H. P., Commander A. Morris, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 10th January 1878, at 4 p.m.

N. B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH ITALY VIA SUEZ CANAL.

ITALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY of Messrs. R. RUBATTINO & Co., GENOA.

THE REGULAR STEAMERS LEAVE GENOA and BOMBAY on the 24th, and on the 1st of each month.

For entire steamers see list given below.

PASSENGERS' RATES.

(Inclusive of all Transit Fees through the Suez Canal.)

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	3rd Class.	
Aden	£22	£15	£4	Without food.
Suez	36	22	9	
Port Said	36	24	14	
Messina	50	34	14	
Naples	50	34	14	
Leghorn	50	34	14	
Genoa	50	34	14	
Marseilles	52	35	14-10	

Including Wine

Children under 2 years—free of charge. Children not above 10 years—half fare.

NEXT STEAMERS FROM BOMBAY:—

ARABIA to sail on FRIDAY, 1st February 1878.
PERSIA, to sail on WEDNESDAY, 20th February 1878.
AUSTRALIA, to sail on FRIDAY, 1st March 1878.
ASSIRIA, to sail on MONDAY, 1st April 1878.

All Steamers of this Company have large First and Second Class accommodation; and always carry a Doctor and a Stewardess on board.

The steamers of this Company, as a rule, start precisely at 10 a. m. Any unavoidable detention will, however, be advertised at least one day previously.

For hand-books of information, rates of freight, &c., apply to

C. GRONDONA,
Agent Rubattino Steam Navigation Company,
No. 2, Hummum Street.

Bombay, 23rd October 1877.

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FORTNIGHTLY BETWEEN GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, AND BOMBAY,

CALLING AT NAPLES ON THE HOMEWARD JOURNEY.

THE following or other First Class Steamers of the Anchor Line will sail from Bombay as under:—

	Tons.	H.P.	From Bombay.
MACEDONIA	2,272	466	January 12
TRINACRIA	2,107	424	„ 23
THESSALY			February 2
EUROPA	2,227	424	„ 16
CASTALIA	2,200	424	At fortnightly inter-
ITALIA	2,245	424	vals

The Tonnage is the property of Mr. David MacIver, M. P. She will not carry passengers.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY.

To Naples ..... Rs. 400
To Liverpool ..... „ 500

Passengers desirous of making a short stay in Italy, may disembark at Naples and proceed on to Liverpool by the following steamer, and passengers disembarking at Naples can have their heavy baggage taken on to Liverpool without any extra charge.

Messrs. HOLME & Co., the Company's Agents at Naples, will render any assistance, and tender any information required by the Passengers.

Passengers booked and cargo engaged in connection with the Trans-Atlantic Service from London and Glasgow to New York.

For Passage, &c., apply to

W. & A. GRAHAM & Co.,
Bombay, November 13, 1877. Agents.

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BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL, DIRECT, AND TO LONDON, OVERLAND *via* NAPLES OR GENOA.

THE S. S. TRENTHAM HALL, 2,100 Tons register, 300 H. P nominal, Captai J. Shaw, will sail about the 9th January and will be followed by the

S. S. CHILLWALL HALL, 2,100 Tons register, 300 H. P. nominal, Captain F. Trehearne, on the 20th February, and by the

S. S. BRANKSOME HALL, 2,100 Tons register, 300 H. P. nominal, Captain Brand, on the 6th March, and by the

S. S. CITY OF BALTIMORE, 2,200 Tons register, 300 H. P. nominal, Captain T. Collin, on the 20th March, and by the

S. S. TRENTHAM HALL, 2,100 Tons register, 300 H. P. nominal, Captain J. Shaw, on the 3rd April.

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W. & A. GRAHAM & Co.,
Agents.

N. B.—Messrs. HENRY S. KING and Co. and Messrs. KING BAILLIE and Co. are the Passenger Agents for this Line in London and Liverpool resp. ctively. Arrangements for Remittances, Future g s, Circular Notes, Shipment of Baggage, &c., will be attended to by Messrs. KING, KING & Co. here.

Bombay, December 27, 1877.

SHIPPING.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

THE following or other Steamers will be despatched for EUROPE:—

Vessels.	Tons.	H.P.	Captain.	1878.
SUMATRA	2488	450	C. Anderson	7th Jan.
(a) THIBET	2993	400	J. H. Torbock	14th do.
CHINA	2016	450	T. Alderton	21st do.
(c) TEHERAN	2589	400	A. H. Johnson	28th do.

Passengers are booked to ADEN, SUEZ, BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MARSEILLES, MALTA, GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON by every Mail. The Steamers marked (c) proceed direct to Southampton. By the others Passengers change vessels at Suez, and those for Brindisi, Ancona, Venice, and Marseilles are conveyed by Rail from Suez to Alexandria.

A Launch leaves the Company's Dock Head at Mazagon at 3 P.M. on the day of sailing.

For Passage &c., apply to

J. R. KELLOCK,
Bombay, 1st January 1878. Superintendent.

TO CEYLON, PENANG, STRAITS, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

THE following Steamers will be despatched for the above ports, carrying H. M.'s Mails, and taking also Passengers and Cargo for Madras and Calcutta:—

Vessels.	Tons.	H.P.	Captains.	
INDUS	3470	500	S. D. Shallard	8th Jan.
LOMBARDY	2723	450	W. B. Hall	22nd Jan.
KHIVA	2699	450	G. Leo	5th Feb.

A Launch leaves the Company's Dock Head at Mazagon at 3 P.M. on the day of sailing.

For Passage &c., apply to

J. R. KELLOCK,
Bombay, 1st January 1878. Superintendent.

TO KING GEORGE'S SOUND, ADELAIDE, MELBOURNE, AND SYDNEY, CALLING AT COLOMBO AND GALLE.

THE following Steamers will be despatched for the above ports:—

Vessels.	Tons.	H.P.	Captains.	
TANJORE	2263	450	W. W. Fentiman	4th Jan.
SIAM	3000	500	G. N. Hector	1st Feb.

A Launch leaves the Company's Dock Head at Mazagon at 3 P.M. on the day of sailing.

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J. R. KELLOCK,
Bombay, 1st January 1878. Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. COMPANY.

SPECIAL THREE-MONTHLY RETURN TICKETS.

TO suit the convenience of Government Officials and others taking PRIVILEGE LEAVE, the Company has arranged to issue from this date RETURN TICKETS available for THREE MONTHS (counting from the date of sailing to the date of arrival) at the following REDUCED RATES:—

Bombay to Brindisi or Venice and back (including transit through Egypt) ... Rs. 950
Ditto with the option of travelling one way *vid* Southampton ..... „ 1,000

J. R. KELLOCK,
Superintendent.

Bombay, 15th December 1877.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

REGULAR LINE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN BOMBAY AND TRIESTE, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company will despatch the following First Class Passenger Steamers, on the undermentioned dates:—

Vessels.	Capt.	Disp. Tons.	H.P.	
S.S. POLLUCE	G. Rasanin.	4211	250	on 19th Jan. 1878.
S.S. ACHILLE	F. Forti	3509	400	on 5th Feb. 1878.
S.S. CASTORE	G. Marussig	3787	250	on 24th Feb. 1878.
S.S. ETTORE	C. Lasarich.	3507	400	on 26th Mar. 1878.
S.S. POLLUCE	G. Rasanin.	4211	250	on 25th Apr. 1878.

All Steamers carry Surgeon and Stewardess.

Rates of Passage-money (exclusive of Wines and Spirits, which can be had on board at moderate prices) as under:—

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	Deck.
To Trieste	Rs. 450	Rs. 350	Rs. 180 0
To Port Said	„ 320	„ 255	„ 131 0
To Suez	„ 300	„ 240	„ 122 8
To Aden	„ 170	„ 130	„ 66 0

No cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing.

THROUGH TICKETS FROM TRIESTE TO LONDON

Via Vienna, the Rhine, Ostende or Calais and Dover, are granted by the Undersigned at

	Via Calais.	Via Ostende.
First Class, Trieste to London	£12-3	£11-18
Second Class, Trieste to Cologne	£9-19	£9-14
First Class, Cologne to London		

Travellers with through tickets are allowed lbs. 55 free lug gage.

Tickets are available for two months from the date of departure from Trieste.

For further particulars, and for Freight and Passage, apply to the Company's Office.

J. JANNI,
Agent A. H. Lloyd's S. N. Company.

28, Bombay Green, November 21, 1877.

SALES BY AUCTION.

BENNETT AND COMPANY, No. 4, FORBES STREET.

WEEKLY SALE.

THIS DAY, SATURDAY, the 5th instant, Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their rooms, a large quantity of grey and coloured piece goods.

AT 1 P.M.

1 English-built mail phaeton.
1 Bay brougham horse.
1 Grey galloway.
(The property of a Gentleman.)
1 high cast bay Australian horse.
1 silver grey color pony.

AUCTION SALE of valuable and handsome household furniture plated glass, and porcelainware, handsome pier glasses in gilt frames, first rate chromolithographs and oil-paintings, &c., at the Bungalow No. 136, Malabar Hill, lately occupied by the late Mr. C. A. Langley.

On THURSDAY, the 10th instant, at 1 P.M., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at the above-mentioned place, the valuable and handsome household furniture, &c., of which full particulars will be given hereafter.

Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view 4 days before the day of sale.

AUCTION SALE of valuable and handsome house-hold furniture, plated, glass and porcelainware, &c., &c., at 106 Breach Candy Road, near Mahalaxmee.

On MONDAY, the 14th instant, at 1 P.M., Messrs BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at the above-mentioned place, the valuable and handsome household furniture, plated glass and porcelain wares, &c., &c., the property of Rev. John Urquhart.

No catalogues, and the property will be on view four days before the day of sale.

AUCTION SALE of valuable and handsome household furniture, plated glass and porcelain ware, piano by Schiedmayer, open carriage circular fronted brougham, four wheel dog cart-horses, plants, &c.

On TUESDAY, the 22nd inst. at 1 P.M., Messrs BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction at Breach Candy, the above valuable furniture, &c, the property of J. W. Pearson, Esq. Full particulars will appear hereafter, and the property will be on view four days before the sale.

BENNETT & Co.

Bombay, 5th January 1878.

SUDANUND SHRICRISHNAJEE & Co.

SALE OF Valuable Landed Property at Girgaum Road opposite to Jaffer Sullaman's Stable.

Messrs S. SHRICRISHNAJEE & Co. will sell by Public Auction at the premises at half-past 4 p.m. THIS DAY, SATURDAY, the 5th inst., by order of mortgagee, Samat Veera, and on account and as the risk of the mortgagor, Damodhur Herajee.

All that piece or parcel of land or ground being the portion of the large piece of ground cart called Mullucksady, with the messuage, tenements, and building standing thereon, and assessed by the Collector of Assessment under No. 252. situate in Girgaum, in the sub-district of Bhooleshwar, containing by admeasurement 273 square yards, and bounded as follows: on the east by a public passage, on the west by the ground of Pitamber Valloo, on the north by the property of Wasoodev Ramchunder, on the south by the property of Bhiccoo Gopal, which said premises were formerly in the occupation of Mr. Janardun Gopal and Pandoorung Ramchunder, and now in the occupation of the said Damodhur Herajee.

S. SHRICRISHNAJEE & Co.

Bombay, 5th January 1878.

MENESSE AND COMPANY.

AUCTION SALE OF OLD IRON SHEETS.

On SATURDAY, the 5th instant, at 2 P.M., Messrs MENESSE, and Co. will sell by Public Auction at Carnac Bunder on account of the concerned.

About 200 tons old iron sheets.

AUCTION SALE of surplus and other Stores in the P. and O. Company's Dockyard, Mazagon.

On WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant, and the following days, at 2 p.m., Messrs. MENESSE & Co. have received instructions from the Superintendent of the P. and O. Company, to sell by Public Auction at the Company's Dockyard, Mazagon, a large quantity of surplus and other stores, consisting of shafts and propellers, old boilers, and galley ranges, brass tubes, old iron, old iron tanks, anchors, chains, old rope, empty casks and cases, sails, canvas, boats, blocks, planks, crockeryware, furniture, &c., &c.

A deposit of 25 per cent. will be required when the lots are knocked down, and the purchasers will have to pay Customs duty (if any.)

MENESSE & Co.

Bombay, 5th January 1878.

TO LET.

TO LET, a Commodious UPPER-STORIED HOUSE in Military Square, Fort.

A Stable in Military Square Lane, Fort.

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GARBUT HALL, MATHERAN.

ONE of the most elevated Bungalows in Matheran and commands a very pleasant view.

BRANCH of the POONA HOTEL. BAZAR SUPPLIES received direct from BOMBAY and POONA DAILY.

NOTICE.—It is hereby notified that the Undersigned did, on the 3rd instant, PAY to HER MAJESTY'S TREASURY in Bombay the sum of Rupees 16,690, being the 102nd Monthly Instalment of the FIRST FIFTEEN LAC LOAN, with interest, and the sum of Rupees 14,600, being the 102nd Monthly Instalment of the VEHAR WATER WORKS DEBT, aggregating Rupees 30,690.

J. H. GRANT,
Municipal Commissioner.

Municipal Commissioner's Office, Bombay, Jan. 4, 1878.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.

MR. JOHN RYAN, Jr., having been obliged to stay in England longer than he thought his INTEREST in the FIRM of Messrs. P. RYAN & Co., Coal Brokers, CEASED by mutual consent from 1st January 1878.

In future the business will be carried by me on my own account.

FURDOONJEE FRAMJEE.

5th January, 1878.

NOTICE.

A SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION of a quantity of UNCLAIMED and CONFISCATED GOODS, consisting of Guns, Pistols, Revolvers, Cartridges, Waddings, Bales of Cotton Sweepings, Books, Lamps of various kinds, Wearing Apparel, Millinery, Haberdashery Wine, cases of Brandy and other Miscellaneous Articles, will be held at the Town Custom House on MONDAY, the 7th January 1878.

The sale will commence at 12-30 p. m., and conditions will be made known at the time of sale.

N. ANUNT J., A. C.,
For Deputy Commissioner of Customs, P. D.

Bombay Custom House, December 24, 1877.

NOTICE is hereby given, that PROBATE of the LAST WILL and TESTAMENT of PESTONJEE SOOKLAJEE, late of Bombay, Parsee Inhabitant, deceased, was, on the 26th day of December last, granted by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay to COWARJEE PESTONJEE, NOWROJEE PESTONJEE, and BEZONJEE PESTONJEE, the sons and three of the Executors named in the said Will of the said deceased. All persons having any claim by way of mortgage, inheritance, or otherwise, against or are indebted or liable to the Estate of the said deceased, are required to send in particulars of their claims in writing, and pay in the debts due by them, within fourteen days from the date hereof, to the Undersigned, the Attorneys to the said Executors, at their Office, No. 8, Apollo Street, Fort. At the expiration of the above period the said Executors will realise and dispose of the assets of the said deceased in accordance with the terms of the said Will, and no claims sent in subsequently will be recognised by the said Executors.—Dated this 5th day of January 1878.

MACFARLANE & GILBERT,
Attorneys to the Executors.

THE ELPHINSTONE THEATRE,
OPEN EVERY WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY.

LAST NIGHT OF THE GRAND CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME, MOTHER GOOSE;
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THE GOLDEN EGG,
TO-NIGHT, SATURDAY, 5TH JAN. 1878,
FOLLOWED BY THE OPERA OF
LEILA AND MEJNOON.

Tickets to be had at the Theatre.
Doors open at 8 p. m., performance commencing at 9 sharp.

A GOOD BAND WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE.

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Graphic, Xmas Number	1 0
Illustrated London News, Xmas Number	1 0
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24	4	* ONE STAR, in great demand	25	0
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27	0	* ONE STAR, Decanters	28	0
31	12	* ONE STAR, Crystal Barrel 2 Gall== 1 dozen, with	33	0
29	14	* ONE STAR, Decanter, large size Globular	31	0
25	12	* ONE STAR, Flasks, per case of 2 dozens	26	8
27	8	* ONE STAR, Half-Flasks, per case of 4 dozens	28	8
27	8	** TWO STARS	28	8
30	8	*** THREE STARS, superior	31	8
40	12	**** FOUR STARS, extra superior, recommended	42	8

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18-Carat Gold Hunting or ½ Hunting Patent Lever Watches, ½ plate ..... Rs. 125
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Do. do. do. highly finished with heavy case ..... Rs. 250

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18-Carat Gold Hunting Watch of extra superior quality, and very heavy case, lever escapement, compensation balance ..... Rs. 250
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Do. do. lever escapement ..... Rs. 180

In addition to the above specialities Messrs. F. L. and Co. have in stock a large assortment of Ladies' Enamelled and Jewelled Watches from ..... Rs. 200 to Rs. 500
Gold Chronometer Watches, proved in the Observatory, from ..... Rs. 400 to Rs. 700
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Repeating Watches from ..... Rs. 300 to Rs. 2,000

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Their well known 50 Rs. Watch.
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A good Silver Watch, patent lever escapement, in open face, hunting or ½ hunting cases ..... Rs. 25.

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Stalls	„ 2
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Doors open at 8-30; performance to commence at 9 sharp.

Tickets may be obtained and seats secured at Messrs. SOUNDY & Co.

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BOMBAY EDUCATION SOCIETY.

THE CHILDREN'S FETE will take place at the Boys' School, Byculla, on WEDNESDAY next, January 9th, 1878, at 5 p.m.

Tickets free to Subscribers and near relations of the children, and on payment of eight annas to all other persons, may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Boys' School, Byculla.

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	Rs.	As.
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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

FRIDAY EVENING, 4TH JAN. 1878.

THE tenor of yesterday's commercial telegrams from Home is, on the whole, slightly more encouraging. The produce markets are fairly steady, while Consols have recovered from 94¼ to 94⅛ and French Rentes from 108 to 108½.

Arrival quotations for Wheat remain unchanged, and in Seeds the movements are restricted to an advance of 3d. per quarter in Calcutta Linseed to arrive, and a decline of 9d. on the spot. Mid. Plantation Ceylon Coffee is quoted 6d. per cwt. lower, but other sorts are unaltered. Cochin Cocoanut Oil is still given at £43-15 ; Ceylon has advanced to £38-15 per ton.

Piece Goods in Manchester yesterday were steady, and the Liverpool Cotton Market also closed steady, sales 12,000 bales. Spot quotations were unchanged, and Reuter says nothing about arrivals, but from private sources we learn that they were the turn dearer, Good Omra January-February shipment, Canal, being quoted at 5¼d., and Good Ginned Broach at 5¾d. per lb. More moderate receipts at the Americaa ports, and possibly a slightly better feeling respecting political matters, are doubtless the strengthening influences, and it must not be overlooked that the statistical position is now so strong as to render the market particularly susceptible to anything likely to exercise an improving tendency.

From New York yesterday's telegram still quotes ready Mid. Uplands at 11¼ cents, but April shipment is quoted at 11 11-16 cents, an advance of 3-16 cents per lb. on the last quotation for March shipment.

The Receipts at the ports to date are as follows :—

	1878.	1877.	1876.
Thursday's Receipts.....	19,000	12,000	17,000
Six days' do.	134,000	101,000	114,000
Total since 1st Sept.	2,480,000	2,658,000	2,457,000

The Bank of England return for the week ending on Wednesday shows a decrease in the Reserve of £100,000, an increase in Bullion of £400,000, and an increase of £100,000 in Discounts. The latter movement is, of course, due to the usual alterations at the end of the year, and although the proportion of the Reserve to Liabilities has declined from 46½ to 42⅞ per cent., the actual state of the Money Market is not firmer, the rate of discount on 6 months' sight Bank Bills being still quoted at 3½ per cent. per annum.

Reuter reports his previous quotation of 53¾d. per oz. for Bar Silver, and shipments of £60,000 for this port are advised by yesterday's P. and O. steamer from Southampton.

STERLING EXCHANGE to-day opened quiet, and at one time the tendency, if anything, was downwards ; but with steadier accounts from Calcutta in the afternoon, and rather more Private Paper offering, the tone at the close was firmer, and a partial advance of 1-32d. per Rupee has been established in Bank Bills. We now quote on London :—

Bank Bills on demand.....	1s. 8¾d.	to 21-32d. per Rupee.
Do. 6 months' sight..	1s. 9d.	to 1s. 9 1-32d. ,,
Credits 3 ,, ,, ...	1s. 9d.	,,
Documents, 2 ,, ,, ...	1s. 9 1-16d.	,,

On Calcutta we still quote demand drafts at 3-16 premium, 30 days' sight at ¼ per cent. discount.

GOVERNMENT PAPER remains very quiet, but in the absence of business of importance, rates are nominally unchanged.

SHARES continue dull and drooping. Bank of Bombays are unchanged at 39 per cent. premium. Agra and National are both Re. 1 lower. In Land Companies the only change is a further rise of Rs. 5 in Port Cannings. Press shares are dull, and any changes are in favour of buyers. We quote a decline of Rs. 15 in Albert Co. of Kurrachee, Rs. 10 in Berar and Indian Press, and Rs. 5 in Mofussil Co. Spinning and Weaving Companies continue to show a backward tendency, a decline of Rs. 50 being reported in Alliance, Rs. 25 in Colaba, and Rs. 10 per share in National, Prince of Wales and Sonedcrdass Spinning.

COTTON to-day opened very quiet, but closed firm with in some cases an advance of Rs. 2 to Rs. 3 per candy. European sellers have been quite out of the market, the continued small arrivals at the up-country markets preventing them from operating except in ready stuff, but native dealers are reported to have sold freely, one transaction of 1,500 bales Good Fair Oomrawuttee at Rs. 195 per candy for all February delivery being reported. We quote :—

Ringunghaut Good Jany. dely.	Rs.	213	per candy	F. P.
Ginned Broach ,,	,,	212	,,	,,
Omra ,, February dely	,,	201	,,	,,
Do. ,, J. G. F.	,,	198	,,	,,
Do. ,, G. F.	,,	195	,,	,,

Freights continue to show a hardening tendency. For Liverpool a large business has been done by steamer to-day at 30s. for immediate shipment, and the regular liners now ask 32s. 6d. for late January. The s. s. Xantho has been taken up on speculation at 30s., with concessions for Liverpool. For Trieste and Venice a good enquiry prevails for forward loading at 42s. 6d. to 45s. payable here. By sail the demand is still stagnant.

PIECE GOODS are a shade firmer, with rather more enquiry on the part of dealers for the leading makes of Grey Goods. Prices are more firmly held, but cannot actually be quoted higher.

Coals are steady, but there is still a total absence of business to arrive.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LIST.

BANKS.

Banks.	No. of Shares.	Nomi. Value p. sh.	Paid up.	Last Dividend.	Cash, Rates per Share.
Agra Bank	100,000	100	all	6 p. ct	124
Bank of Bengal	40,000	500	all	6 do.	740
Bank of Bombay	20,000	500	all	12 p. ct	695
National Bank of India.	10,000	500	all	6 do.	105
Bank of Madras	60,000	250	all	10 do.	265

LAND COMPANIES.

Colaba Land Co. (New).	2,948	2,000	all	20 p.*	820
Frere Land and Pier Co. Limited.	7,500	150	all	4 p. a.	90
Esplanade Land Company. Limited	1,759	2,000	1,000	20 p. a.	720
Fort Canning Land Company. Limited	6,000	1,400	all	13 p.a.	245

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock.	..	£20 218	3 0 5	p. c. 285
New £20 shares.....	..	£20 13	14 6	do. 26
Ditto	..	£20	6 7 3	do. 72
Ditto	..	£20	21 13	do. 90
B. B. and C. I. Ry. Co.	..	£100	1,000	do. 1,160
Do. New Shares.	..	£18	19 6 5	15 do. 240

PRESS COMPANIES.

Akbar Cotton Press Co..	150	5,000	2,850	150 p.a.	1,100
Albert Co., Kurrachee..	240	2,000	1,000	15 do.	810
Albert Ginning Co.....	100	500	all	18 p.c.	650
Apollo Press Co.....	750	2,750	2,200	32 p.a.	425
Bellary	175	1,000	all	60	625
Berar Company (New)..	175	500	all	45 p.a	435
Indian Press Co.....	1,000	350	all	14 do	175
Broach Cotton Co.....	400	250	all	10 do	70
Carnac Co.....	1,000	1,500	all	75 do	600
Colaba Press Co.....	500	1,880	all	170 do	475
Dhollera P. and G. Co..	600	500	all	15 do	290 xd
East India Press Co....	352	1,000	all	100 do	920
Fort Press Co.....	50	8,500	8,250	50 do	975
French Press Co.....	300	500	all	40 do	315
Imperial Press Co.....	1,150	..	1,400	100 do	300
Mofussil Press and Ginning Co.....	1,125	400	350	40 do	305
Prince of W. Press.....	120	..	1,500	250 do	350
Sassoon's Press Co.....	600	500	all	25 do	325
Scinde Press Co.....	400	350	750	6 do	435
Scinde & Punjaub Cotton Press Co., Ld....	100	1,000	925	150 do	1,040 xd
Victoria Cotton Gin and Press Co.	150	850	all	12 p.c.	600 pd.
Volkart's United Press Co.....	50	1,000	1,000	75 p.a.	560

*Per Share for the half-year.

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

Albert Mills	400	2,000	1,700	..	950
Alexandra S. and W. Co.	750	1,250	all	50 p.a*	1,255
Alliance Mills Co.....	1,000	1,000 99	pa.		1,300
Allliance Spinning.....	500	2,500	all	100 p.a.	2,150
Anglo-Indian S. and W. Company	80 000	100	100	..	90
Bhowanggur M. and F. Company	300	2,000		40 p.a.	1,550
Bombay United	900	1,000	all	45 p.a*	1,060
Bombay Hemp and Jute Mill Company	2,000	300	all	15 p.a*	255
Broach Mills	1,800	150	all	15 p.a*	115
Colaba S. and W. Co....	900	1,000	all	40 p.a*	865
Coorla S. and W. Co....	1,000	1,000	all	60 p.a*	1,015
Central India S. and W. Company	2,500	500	450	..	635
Dharumsey Spinning ..	3,000	2,000	all	35 p.a*	915
Fleming S. and W. Co..	1,500	1,000	all	50 p.a*	1,310
Great Eastern.....	1,400	1,000	all	50 p.a*	1,220
Hindustan S. & W. Co..	875	1,000	all	40 p.a.	1,030
Hydrabad S. and W. Co	700	1,000	1,000	..	850
Jeevraj Balioo Mills ..	750	1,000	all	45 p.a*	993
Khandelah Spinning ..	750	1,000	all	60 p.a*	1,225
K. Manockjee S. & W. Co.	1,000	1,000	all	45 p.a*	900
Madras Spinning	300	1,250	all	Nil	875
Madras U. Spinning....	425	1,000	all	80 p a*	1,225
Manockjee & Bombay S. and W. Co. do. ..	30,000	50	50	..	30
Mandvie S. and W. Co..	1,200	500	all	..	360
Manockjee Petit's.....	1,000	1,000	all	60p.a*	1,330
Morajee Spinning.....	1,043	1,000	all	60 p.a*	1,290
Managon S. and W. Co..	2,000	5,000	..	..	275
National S. and W. Co. of India.....	950	1,000	all	50 p.a*	940
Neriad S. and W. Co....	400	1,000	all	..	825
Nicol Press Manufacturing Co., Ld.....	600	2,000	all	..	775
Nursey S. and W. Co....	2,500	400	all	20 p.a*	380
Oriental	1,000	625	all	35 p.a*	745
Princeof Wales Spining	600	1,250	all	75	1,110
Sassoon S. & W. Co....	1,500	1,000	all	..	825
Soonderdas Spinning ..	680	1,000	all	75 p.a.	965
Do Do do. 4 Shares.	800	1,000	250	125 p.a.	905
Sholapore S. and W. Co.	600	1,000	all	..	985
Victoria Mills	2,578	1,000	all	40 Rs.	700 xd

*Per Share for the half-year

MISCELLANEOUS.

Bombay Burmah Trading Corporation	1,000	2,500	1,560	187 4p.s.	1,760 xd.
Bombay Gas Company..	50,000	50	all	7½ p. ct	85
Bombay Saw Mills Co..	60	1,000	all	80 p. a.	600
Landing and Shipping Co of Kurrachee, Ld.	500	500	300	36 p. a.	275
Malabar Company, Ld	1,150	200	190	7½ p. a.	6
Mechanical Buildings Co.	1,000	500	all	p. a.	25
Do. and Co.	1,920	500	11	11 p. ct	545
Vegas Patent Slip Co ..	2,000	250	all	6 p. ct.	30

APPROXIMATE STATEMENT OF GROSS RECEIPTS ON INDIAN RAILWAYS.

Railways.	Total from 1st January To 4th Nov. 1876	Total from 1st January To 3rd Nov. 1877.	Total Increase in 1877.	Total Decrease in 1877.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
GUARANTEED.				
East Indian, Main	96'0'297	83156381	695974	...
East Indian, Jabalpur	1795453	3976718	2181265	...
Eastern Bengal	2758208	3702816	943908	...
Oudh and Rohilkhand	2771648	3553063	781415	...
Sind, Punjab and Delhi	6381e 1	8265107	1883806	...
Madras	5076831	8837356	3056527	...
South Indian	1632494	2748223	1115729	...
Great Indian Peninsula. ...	18521970	27659037	9146067	...
Bombay, Baroda and Central India	5511711	6248297	736586	...
Total....	71354008	97945075	26591972	...
STATE.				
Calcutta and South-Eastern ..	82689	97400	14711	...
Nalhati	62907	76183	13276	...
Rajputana	1892196	2301784	319588	...
Holkar.....	2323c6	326498	3230	...
Khamgaon.....	31067c	455805	14013	...
Amraoti	55992	61447	5460	...
Wardha Valley	1673c	577 0	40970	...
Nizam's	490165	667317	247152	...
Tirhut	142538	227198	94660	...
Punjab Northern	389299	589255	199956	...
N-emuch.....	142984	60920	46836	...
Northern Bengal	...	129404	129404	...
Rangoon & Irrawaddy Valley ..	...	227785	227785	...
Total....	3421068	4661459	1240391	...
Grand Total....	74775071	92607434	27832363	...

a Total receipts from 1st January to 15th July 1876, after which the line was closed.
b Total receipts from 1st January to 31st August 1877, after which the line was closed.
c Total receipts from 1st January to 3rd June 1876, after which the line was closed.
d Total receipts from 3rd August to 4th November 1876.
e Total receipts from 29th August 1876 to 3rd November 1877.
f Total receipts from 2nd May to 3rd November 1877.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE, AND LISTS OF PASSENGERS BY SEA.

THE BARQUE ADA, 364 tons, Captain J. Smith, arrived in harbour yesterday from Mauritius, Nov. 31st, with a cargo of 4,575 bags of sugar, and two passengers. The vessel is consigned to Messrs. Postonjee Hormurjee's Sons.

DEPARTURE OF THE AUSTRALIAN MAILS.

THE P. AND O. Co's s. s. TANJORE, 1,402 tons, Captain W. W. Fentiman, sailed yesterday for Australia, with the mails, general cargo, and the following passengers :—

For Melbourne—Dr. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Aspinwall, Major A. F. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Lawsley, Mr. J. Paddy.

ARRIVALS.

Jan.	Vessels.	Commanders.	From
4	Ada	Smith	Mauritius, Nov 31.
	Ville de Temple	Plisan	Mauritius, Nov 20.
	Ben Veone (s)	Kidner	Calcutta, Dec 20.

DEPARTURES.

Jan.	Vessels.	Commanders.	Destination.
4	Tanjore (s)	Fentiman ...	Australia.

The steamer Bengal to Calcutta, was entered for loading yesterday.

CALCUTTA.

ARRIVALS.

Dec.		
31	Canara (s)	Sharp ..... Bombay, Dec 8.
	Sir J. Lawrence (s).	Irwin ..... Chandbally, Dec 30.
	Ganos (s)	Wright ..... Bombay, Dec 20.
	Nevia	Napier ..... London, Sept 2.
	Lady Lawrence	Clark ..... London, Sept 6.
	Indian Empire	Watson ..... London, Sept 10.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 31—Steamers Borrowdale, Malabar, Austin Friars, and Kei Kieg, Ship Atmosphere.

PASSENGERS.

Per Canara—Mr W Graham, Mr D K Murray, Mr A C Houghton.
Per Sir John Lawrence—Mr Beatson and Capt Bovey.
Passengers per s s Himalaya, sailed on Dec. 31 for Rangoon and Moulmein—Miss Hart, Captain and Mrs Forbes and two children, Colonel C C Osborne, Mr and Mrs Jowett, Mr Hancock, Mr Hernandez, Mr Albertoni, Mr Chaves, Mr R C Morrison, Mr E W Beste, Mr and Mrs J Walter and child, Mr J Reid.

VESSELS SPOKEN.

By Lady Lawrence—Ships Lassa, Boyne and Poonah in lat 15 N., long 85 W all well, and Ship Chi-man in lat 43 S, long 75 E all well.
By Indian Empire—Rajmahal, Chapman in lat 30 S, long 68 E, Zuleikpa in lat 17 N, long 87-20 E.

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

Jan.		
1	Malwa (s).....	..... Calcutta.
	Peshawur (s)	..... Southampton.

DEPARTURES.

Jan.
1 Malwa (s)..... ..... Southampton.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per s s Malwa—From Calcutta to Madras : Miss F E Stirke, Mr and Mrs H M O'Kelly and infant, Mr K C Mayer and Mr J T Jellicoe. To Suez : Dr and Mrs Cameron, Mr E Fowle and Mr A Austerlev. To Southampton : Mr O R Mitchell, Lt C A Coles, Mr F F Honds, and Mr H L Lockett.
Per s s Peshawur—From Southampton to Madras : Miss Girardot, Mr and Mrs Burnett, child and infant. Mr A West, Mrs Kearns and son. Mr Blake. Rev Mr Lezate, Mr and Mr Craig, Mr R Williams, Mr W Cain and Mrs Cain.

PASSENGERS SAILED.

Per s s Malwa—From Madras to Melbourne : Private E Winn and Mr C Hubbord. To Malta : Hon D Arbuthnott and M J P Arbuthnott.

DAILY IMPORTS.—JANUARY 4.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

India s—237 bales hoop iron, Owen and Okell ; 64 kegs iron nails, King, King and Co.
Zeal s—20 drums light varnish, The Khstow Makanjee S and W Co ; 5 packages corks, Merwanjee Manockjee.

FROM LONDON.

St. Mildred—150 casks pale ale, Wallace and Co.
Scotland s—150 cases oil tom. Jamsetjee Nowrojee.
Benledi s—2 cases glass beads, Hugh D Fisher and Co ; 13 cases toys and 20 packages stationery, King, King and Co.

FROM TRIESTE.

Ettore s—8 cases toys, Esmal Abdool Reman.

FROM GLASGOW.

India s—60 cases ginger wine, Eduljee Bazonjee.

FROM GENOA.

Australia s—25 boxes brandy, Nowrojee Ardaseer and Sons ; 120 cases brandy, Eduljee Bazonjee.

FROM BORDEAUX.

Australia s—15 cases brandy, C Bouneville and Co.
Assiria s—150 cases brandy, B and A Hormusjee ; 175 boxes champagne and 250 boxes brandy, Nowrojee Ardaseer and Sons.

DAILY EXPORTS.—JANUARY 4.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Macedonia s—1,980 cwts wheat, Finlay, Scott and Co ; 4,750 cwts wheat, Stearns, Hobart and Co ; 201 bales wool, Nurse Khutlow ; 1,013 bundles rattans Cursondass Nensey ; 437 cwts wheat Krishundass Madowjee ; 50 bales wool, Goculdass Toolsedass.
Tyndareus s—1,393½ cwts barley, 460 cwts linseed cakes, 5 cwts cotton seed 46 cwts nuxvomica and 180 cwts coir yarn, Mooljee Anundjee ; 1874 cwts linseed, Mackinlay, Simpson and Co ; 1,9 0 cwts linseed, Finlay Scott and Co ; 151 bales wool, Nurse Khutlow ; 70 bales wool, Khetsidas Rurmookroy ; 300 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co ; 2,000 cwts wheat, Ralli Brothers ; 201 cwts wheat Nusserwanjee Manockjee and Co ; 662½ cwts gall-, Runchordass Toolseedass ; 500 bales cotton, Peel, Cassels and Co ; 2,0 0 cwts wheat, J C Bushby and Co ; 100 bales cotton, Nurree Kessowjee and Co ; 50 bales cotton Goculdass Toolseedass ; 35 bales wool, M Parmanund ; 623 cwts coir fibre, Veerchund Hemraz.
Sumatra s—100 bales cotton, Peel, Cassels and Co.

FOR LONDON.

Scotland s—2 cases drugs, and 8 cases bloodstone, Remoobhoy, Mahamed ; 5 bales hides, Currimbhoy Hoosenbhoy ; 2 cases tortoise shells 12 cases gum copal, and 1 case chandrooss, Currimbhoy Hussenbhoy ; 15 cases fishmaws, Rajun Ajoo.

FOR TRIESTE.

Sumatra s—200 bales cotton, Knoop and Co ; 100 bales cotton, Peel, Cassels and Co.

FOR VENICE.

Sumatra s—100 bales cotton, Peel, Cassels and Co.

FOR NAPLES.

Macedonia s—34 cwts linseed, Jules, Siegfried and Co ; 500 bale cotton, Gaddum and Co.

FOR CALCUTTA.

Estepona s—250 bales cotton, Knoop and Co.
Calcutta s—50 bales cotton, Greaves, Cotton and Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

Indus s—40 bales cotton, Jairazbhoy Peerbhoy ; 20 bales twist, Hajee Jan Mahomed Abdoo Khaluck ; 1 bale twist, Hurrisall Prabhowandass ; 250 bales twist, Currimbhoy Ebrahim ; 22 bales twist S. N. Tulatee ; 98 bags alibanum, Ebrahim ; 22 bales twist S. N. Tulatee ; 98 bags alibanum, Dhurumsey Veljee ; 34 cases sharkfins, Dattoobhy Doosa ; Dhurumsey Veljee ; 34 cases sharkfins, Dattoobhy Doosa ; 50 bales twist, E. D. Sassoon ; 50 barrels sellarus, Currimbhoy Ebrahim ; 84 chests opium, E. D. Sassoon ; 29 chests opium, Tata and Co ; 12 bales twist, Elias Ally ; 45 bales twist, Jairazbhoy Peerbhoy ; 25 bales cotton, Dhurumsey Vally ; 322 cwts. brasbole, Cassum Bhimjee ; 500 packages red raisin, Ebram Kassum.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Indus s—99 chests opium, David Sassoon and Co ; 9 chests opium Ramchund Ruttunchund.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY, COLABA.
BOMBAY, 3rd January 1878.

Means of observations taken at 6 a.m., 10 a.m. 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Barometer corrected 32 deg. Fah	29·887
Temperature of the Air.....	74·0
Wet Bulb Thermometer.....	66·0
Dew Point	61·7
Relative humidity of Air	0·660
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky clouded—8).	0·0
Maximum temperature of air (read at 4 p.m)	79·2
Minimum ,, (read at 2-30 a. m.)..	66·2
General Direction of wind.....	ESE, NNW, NW, NNW, NNE.
Movement of wind in 24 hours	244.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—JANUARY 2.

Ashby, Sub-Lieut, 21st Regt N I, from leave.
Ballard, Major General, Bombay Staff Corps, from England.

JANUARY 3.

Luby, Lieut, 29th Bengal Regt, on leave, from Jhansi.
Reid, Col, R A.
Nolan, Surgeon, on duty, from Poona.

JANUARY 4.

Melvill, Sub-Lieut, 21st Regt N I, from leave, from Baroda.
Whittock, Sub-Lieut, 20th Regt N I, on Medical Cert, from Baroda.

DEPARTURES.—JANUARY 3.

Luby, Lieut, 29th Bengal Regt, from leave, to Jhansi.

JANUARY 4.

Cox, Major, 15th Regt Madras N I, on furlough, to Australia.
Kelly, Lieut 21st Fusiliers, on leave, to Secunderabad.
Nelson, Lieut, 12th Lancers, on Medical Cert, to Australia.
Hogg, Lieut Col, on duty, to Poona.

POSTAL NOTICES.

OVERLAND MAIL

It is notified that as on and after the 1st October, the Overland Mail Steamers of the P. & O. S. N. Company will leave Bombay every *Monday* soon after 7 p.m., the following revised arrangements in the hours for closing Malls will come into operation from the said date :—

Letters will be received at the General Post Office up to 5-30 p.m.
Newspapers, Books, and Patterns up to 4 p.m.
Registered Letters up to 5 p.m.
Registered Letters, if fully prepaid together with an extra fee of 2 annas, will be received at the General Post Office between 3 and 4 p.m.
Late letters, if fully pre-paid by means of stamps in respect both of postage and of the *late letter fee* (2 annas each), will be received at the Wellington Pier Post Office from 5-30 to 6-30 p.m.
The latest hour for posting ordinary Overland Covers at the several Branch Post Offices will be 4 p.m., and registered letters at 3 p.m.
Fully pre-paid letters will be received on board the Overland Mail Steamer after 5 p.m. and up to starting time (7 p.m.), by the payment of an additional fee of 4 annas. All others will be refused.

POSTAGE BY THE BRINDISI ROUTE.

The Postage rates chargeable on Correspondence forwarded via Brindisi, to the United Kingdom, or Union countries served through the United Kingdom, are as follows :—

For the United Kingdom.

Each Letter per ½ ounce—annas 6.
Each Newspaper per 4 ounces—annas 2.
Each Pattern Packet or Printed Papers, per two ounces, 2½ annas.
Covers not marked for any particular route will, as a general rule, be sent by the route which stands first on the Schedule except where there is quicker despatch by some other route of where the first route may require the compulsory prepayment of a higher rate of postage than has been prepaid or where the amount of postage paid may leave no doubt as to the route intended.
The postage chargeable per ½ oz. on letters sent to the Union countries mentioned below is as follows :—

Germany, Austria, Hungary, Belgium, Denmark, Egypt, Spain, United states of America, France, Greece, Italy, Luxemburg, Norway, Portugal, Roumania, Turkey, Russia, Servia, Sweden, Switzerland ..... As.

DESPATCH OF INLAND MAILS FROM BOMBAY.

No after-packet will be made up at the General Post Office, and the times for posting are given in the subjoined table.
A Post Office is established at the Boree Bunder Railway Station, where Letters and Papers, too late for the Mail closing at the General Post Office, are received *without fee* up to 5 minutes of the departure of Trains.
No Letters or Papers can be posted in the Railway Carriage Letter Box.

MAILS.	Latest hour for Posting. At General Post Office. Ordinary Letters and Papers.	Registered Letters & Parcels.	At Branch Post Offices.	At the Boree Bunder Railway Station Post Office.
For Bengal, N. W. Provinces, Punjab Central Provinces, Malwa, Berar, and for all Post Towns on the N. E. Line of the G. I. P. Railway	4-50 P.M.	3 P.M.	3 P.M.	5-25 P.M.
For all Post Towns on the S. E. Line of the G. I. P. Railway, for Poona and Madras Presidency ; also for Ahmednuggur, Seroor, Deccan, and S. M. Country	1-20 P.M.	12 NOON.	11-30 A.M.	1-55 P.M.
For ditto on the B. B. and C. I. Railway for Guserat, Kurrachee, Sind, Kattywar, and Kutch	7-30 P.M.	4 P.M.	5-30 P.M.	...
For ditto in Southern Concan, viz., for Pen, Nagotna, Mahad, Khed, Dapoolee, and Rutnagherry	10 A.M.	4 P.M. of previous day.	8-30 A.M.	...
For ditto on the S. E. Line of the G. I.P. Railway as far as Poona.....	5-30 A.M.	Do.	5-30P.M. of previous day.	...
For Uran and Panwel	5-30 A.M.	Do.	Do.	...

Registered letters and banghy parcels for despatch by all mails are received, except on Sundays, from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M.

LETTERS.—There are six deliveries in Bombay every day ; at 8 A.M., 10 A.M., 11-30 A.M., 1 P.M., 2 P.M., and 5 P.M. The inland post goes out at 4-30 P.M., for Khandeish, Malwa, Berar, Central Provinces, Punjab, N. W. Provinces, and Bengal. For Poona, Ratnagherry, Southern Concan, &c., at 10 A.M., and Madras Presidency at 1-20 P.M. ; and for Scinde, Kattywar, and Cutch at 7-30 P.M. ; for the South-Eastern line as far as Poona at 5-30 A.M. The Overland Mail for England during the fair season is despatched every Monday evening at 7 o'clock, and closes at 5-30 P.M. Late packets are received, on payment of extra postage of As. 2, up till 6-30 P.M. at Apollo Bunder and on board till the hour of the steamer's departure (7 P.M.) not a additional fee of 4 annas. All letters not exceeding ½ tolah ½ anna, 1 tolah 1 anna, above 1 and not exceeding 2 tolahs 2 annas, to letters to the United Kingdom not exceeding 1 ounce via Brindisi 6 annas, 1 ounce 12 annas ; via Southampton not exceeding ½ ounce 5 annas, 1 ounce 10 annas.

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Size 20½ by 13½ inch.
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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

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BOMBAY.

DEATH.

KHAN—January 4th, opposite the Wadia's Fire Temple, Framjee Bhicajee Khan, Esq., aged 53 years. His remains will be carried to the Towers of Silence to-day at 8 a.m.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

MARRIAGES.

PHILLIPS—PROVIS—December 29th, at London Mission Chapel, Calcutta, by the Rev. W. J. Wilkins, William Benjamin Phillips, of Berhampore, to Anny Mary Provis.

DEATHS.

GARDENER—December 24th, at Lucknow, of small-pox, Kathleen Maria, aged 1 year and 8 months ; and on the 28th December, Teresa Winefred, aged 3 years, the beloved and only children of Mr Henry Augustus Gardener, Superintendent Oudh and Rohilkund Railway Police.
McGUIRE—December 31st, at Calcutta, Grace Adelaide, the infant daughter of Mr. Thos McGuire, aged 1 year.
PRICE—December 30th, at Secunderabad, of tetanus, George R. W. Rose, son of Captain T. Price, 40th Regt M. N. I.
REID—December 31st, at Bangalore, Beatrice Winifred, the daughter of Quarter Master Sergeant Reid, R. A., aged 19 months.

All MONEY ORDERS, CHEQUES, and other Remittances sent to this office should be made payable to the "Proprietor of the *Bombay Gazette*."

The Bombay Gazette

SATURDAY, JANUARY 5, 1878.

THE public meetings held in England in support of the policy of neutrality are an important sign of the times, but they might be disregarded by a united Ministry, commanding the allegiance of a majority of the House of Commons. Lord Carnarvon's speech, however, plainly betrays the existence of those divided counsels within the Cabinet, the effects of which have long been perceptible in the hesitating foreign policy of England, though the perfect unanimity of the Ministry has been all the while asserted most strenuously by Lord Beaconsfield and his colleagues. Mr. Kinglake's immortal description of the want of harmony of opinions or aims in the Cabinet of All the Talents which allowed England to drift into the Crimean War might be applied, with but slight alteration, to the Government which is now "determined England shall have a voice in the settlement of the Eastern Question," but shrinks from using the only means whereby that determination can be put into force. Lord Beaconsfield corresponds now to Lord Palmerston, the Minister who in 1853 "knew his own mind ;" but Lord Palmerston would never have got his own way if he had not worked in concert with the Emperor Napoleon, and the present Premier, unfortunately for himself, has no such powerful ally outside the Cabinet whose co-operation he can skilfully dangle before the country as a bait to tempt it into going to war. It cannot be doubted that Lord Beaconsfield would resent as an affront Russia's now officially acknowleged refusal to accept British mediation, or that, on the principle laid down by the Ministry, that Constantinople must at any cost be kept from falling into Russian hands, the claim of Russia to make a separate peace with Turkey is big with menace to the interests of England. Such a claim involves either a Russian occupation of Constantinople, or the maintenance there of a Turkish Government entirely dependent on Russian forbearance ; and England by admitting it really abandons her pretensions to determine what shall be the fate of the Turkish capital. An English Government, which means to have a share in the settlement of the Eastern Question, can have a choice only of one of two courses. It must either frankly ally itself with the Turk, and go to war with Russia ; or it must with equal frankness throw Turkey over and come to an amicable understanding with the Continental Powers as to the partition of the doomed Empire. Lord Beaconsfield would, if he had the power, take the former course, though the policy of attempting to set the Turk on his legs again is completely out of date, and could not possibly succeed. We believe that Lord Salisbury, who is an ardent Imperialist of a more modern school, would, if he were Prime Minister, declare that the Turkish Empire must cease to exist, and demand for England her fair share of the spoil. It is not too late for her yet to get all she wants ; and, setting aside the morality of such a transaction, we believe it would be unattended with serious danger, for, though a good deal is said about the attachment of Indian Mussulmans to the Sultan, nothing that England may do or leave undone to Turkey is likely to make the Queen's Mahomedan subjects more loyal or more disloyal to English rule in India, and their enmity is at all events less to be dreaded than that of Russia. The wavererers in the Cabinet, however, of whom Lord Carnarvon is the

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

(By Red Sea Cable.)

GHAZI AHMED MUKTAR.

LONDON, JAN. 4.

Ghazi Ahmed Muktar landed at Constantinople yesterday.

THE WAR IN BULGARIA.

The Turkish Army until lately stationed at Kasmarli under the command of Nedjib and Bakar Pashas has arrived at Slatitza. The retreat thither was admirably covered by Baker Pasha. The Turkish loss was 600 men.

THE FEELING IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, JAN. 4.

Frequent political meetings are being held in London and throughout the Provinces in favour of Great Britain adhering to a neutral policy in the Russo-Turkish War.

THE WAR IN BULGARIA.

General Gourko is continuing his successful advance on Sofia. The Turks are falling back on Ichtiman situated at the head of Trajan's Gate in the Balkans.

LONDON, JAN. 3, AFT.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed steady. Surats steady.

The London Cotton Market has been steady.

Fair Dhollera ..... 5 5/16d.

The Manchester Market has been steady.

3 per cent. Consols for Account 94⅛

5 per cent. French Rentes, 1872..... 108½

Bar Silver 53⅛

The Bank of England Returns for the week ending yesterday show the following results:—

Reserve of Notes ..£11,300,000.... Dec. £100,000

Bills Discounted ..£20,500,000.... Inc. £2,100,000

Bullion .....£24,400,000.... Inc. £400,000

Proportion of the Reserve to the Liabilities is 42¾ per cent.

RATES OF EXCHANGE ON LONDON.

Bank Bills, on demand.....	Rs. 8	2 to 21-32d.	per Rupee
Do. „ 6 months' sight..	Rs. 9	1-32d. „	
Credits „ 8	„	Rs. 9d.	„
Documents „ 3	„	Rs. 9 1-16d.	„

THE VICEROY'S LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

In the Legislative Council which reassembles next Wednesday, Mr. Hope will move for the passing of the Opium Act Amendment Bill, and Mr. Stokes will move for leave to introduce a Bill to make better provision for the management of the Hussainabad endowment at Lucknow.

WAR TELEGRAMS.

New arrivals by the Mail and other Steamers will find the War Telegrams of each week, with the leading articles on the War from the daily *Bombay Gazette*, conveniently arranged in the Indian Supplement to our Overland Summary published every Monday.

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We publish this morning the first portion of a full report of the proceedings at the half yearly meeting of the G. I. P. Railway Company. The report will be found more than usually interesting, not only because it deals with questions concerning the Famine, but on account of the very sharp comments of the Company's Chairman, Colonel Hellard, on a certain letter written by Sir Andrew Clarke. We shall have more to say on this subject in a day or two.

THERE exists a general impression that Mr. Spencer cannot be appointed First Judge of the Small Cause Court because there is an Act requiring that the Judge should be a Barrister of five years' standing. But this is a mistake. Section 8 of the Small Cause Court Act of 1850 runs thus:—"The Governor in Council shall appoint as many persons as are necessary to be Judges of the Court, one of whom shall be a Barrister-at-Law, or Advocate of one of the Supreme Courts of India, or of the Court of Session in Scotland." Mr Spencer will, therefore, when he is called to the Bar three weeks hence, possess the technical qualification required by the law in addition to his substantial qualifications for the office of First Judge.

SIR RICHARD TEMPLE and Staff arrived at Lahore from Mooltan on the 1st instant. He was to proceed next evening *viâ* Delhi to Nusseerabad, and will then proceed to Calcutta, where he is due on the 15th. His Excellency and Staff will be the guests of the Viceroy.

THE following telegram, received the other day by a traffic official of the G. I. P. Railway, shows a sense of humour which must agreeably enliven the dull routine of daily duty in a railway office:—"The man you saw dead on the platform is not dead. He is the station master. He was dead drunk. We poured water over him and he has come to life again. The police threw him over the hedge with a caution." The following telegram received a few months ago from the station master at "Mandwa" in Nimar is a good specimen of unconscious humour;—"Tiger jumping in station yard. Pointsmen unable to go to points through fear. Please arrange sharp."

A GENERAL order notifies, for the information of officers of the British Army, that 'foreign' service is reckoned from the date of embarkation at home to the date of disembarkation at home, and all leave of absence in England from India is reckoned as 'home' service.

THE decorations for the fifty gentlemen who were selected for admission to the new Order of the Empire of India, were not ready on the 1st January, so the ceremony of investiture will have to be postponed to a future date.

WITH the confirmation of the Supreme Government, the Government of Fort Saint George has sanctioned the grant of an honorarium of £500 to Mr. W. W. Hunter, LL.D., Director-General of Gazetteers, for the preparation of a School History of India for the use of the Madras Presidency.

WE give the statement as it reaches us, says the Lucknow paper, that from the commencement of the small-pox epidemic in Lucknow, to the 10th December, the mortality among infants and children generally had attained such fearful proportions as are represented by the figures 19×300; and this within a period of less than two months! The disease is still frightfully prevalent on all sides in both station and city; although the cantonments enjoy a comparative immunity, and the cases there have not only been few, but of a less virulent type than those occurring in the civil station and native town.

A NEW journal, to be written by ladies for ladies, and to be called the *Hindu Lolona*, is about to make its appearance at Barrackpore.

A CORRESPONDENT writes to the Agra paper: "This year seems fated to be an eventful one for Simla. What with accidents and offences of various kinds, we have had a good deal to keep up a sensation; a still further addition has been made to them in the shape of an attempt, or rather attempts, to burn down no less than three—to burn down the Assembly Rooms and other adjacent property recently bought by the Municipality. The incendiaries, or incendiary, very cleverly selected the centre building or some half a dozen to begin with, very shrewdly conjecturing that the flames were extremely likely to communicate from the base and centre of his operations to the adjoining buildings; and his plans would most undoubtedly have succeeded but for the exertions of a number of people who collected on the spot on the alarm being given. The first attempt to fire the houses was frustrated by its early and timely discovery; on the second, the flames were fully under weigh when discovered about 11 o'clock at night; last night the *debris* of the house, beams, planks, &c. which had been collected, as it now appears, in a most favourable spot for setting the other houses in a blaze, was found to be on fire! fortunately it was discovered in time to prevent further damage than the simple charring of the wood."

FROM Akyab we are sorry to hear, says the *Bangoon Gazette*, of the death by poison of Dr. Brown, Superintendent of Experimental Tobacco cultivation at the Government farm at Myoukteung. It is not known whether this melancholy occurrence was the result of accident or otherwise. It is highly probable that suffering as he was at the time from a painful malady, he may, to get relief, have taken a larger dose of opium or laudanum than was judicious with this unfortunate result. Dr. Brown came to this province about two years ago, having been deputed by the Government of India to ascertain the capabilities of Burma for tobacco cultivation. On many occasions have we been indebted to his courtesy for valuable information on this subject, and no better authority could perhaps have been found in all India as to the cultivation of the weed in all its scientific bearings. We know but little of his personal history except that he had studied the subject of tobacco for several years in Manilla; and so far as we have been able to judge from his communications to us, the local Government have lost in him a valuable zealous officer. With him will die also the hope of introducing into the province a proper system of cultivation and cure of tobacco, for which no province in India offers greater scope.

THE actual total amount of rainfall during the year 1876 in every district in Mysore has been over the average of the five years preceding 1876, so there are good hopes for the future. One of the best tests of scarcity is the price obtained for the grain the people live on. During the week ending December 15th it was highest in the districts of Mysore, Hasaan, and Kadur, rating as follows in lbs. per rupee:—

		Average price in ordinary years.	*Recent prices.* max.	min.
Mysore (for 6 taluks)	2nd sort rice...	24.....	18	to 12
	ragi..	70.....	23	to 14
Hassan	2nd sort rice...	32.....	18	to 13¼
	ragi	76.....	20¼	to 12½
Kadur, (5 taluks)	2nd sort rice.....	30.....	17	to 11
	ragi	64.....	26¾	to 13

Thus the rice is nearly double its average price in ordinary years, while ragi is about 3½ times dearer than in former years. These are the districts in which the price is highest, but the proportion seems to obtain throughout Mysore. The average cost of feeding per head at the present time in Mysore is about 15 annas 2 pies.

THE progress of civilization can hardly have reached our neighbours in Ceylon, or else the good old times of ease and comfort—as regards journalists at least—must still prevail in the fragrant isle, if we may judge from the following notice which appears in the local *Times*: "In consequence of the Christmas and New Year Holidays, the daily issues will not be published on Wednesday or Thursday, the 26th and 27th December, nor on Wednesday or Thursday, the 2nd and 3rd January." Happy must be the editor who can thus take leave of his subscribers in this fashion at the festal season just past, leaving them to shift as they may for the pabulum that in other latitudes is craved for with keenest appetites. Probably another notice, which appears alongside that just quoted, may explain this apparent cavalier treatment of the readers of the *Ceylon Times*. A bludgeon threat like the following would appear to indicate that the editor was not on the best of terms with his subscribers:—

TO OUR DEFAULTERS.

We are forwarding a rather heavy list of defaulters to our Proctor: we warn those amongst them who do not respond to the notice demanding payment, that it is our resolve to publish their names in full, as a caution to others to avoid transactions with them.

Ceylon Times Office, Nov. 3rd, 1877.

BOMBAY

A SALUTE of thirteen guns was fired from the saluting battery yesterday afternoon on the arrival of His Highness the Nawab of Jowra in Bombay.

THE VEHAR LAKE.—The height of water in the Vehar Lake for the week ending Saturday, 22nd December, was 52 feet and 4 tenths. In the corresponding week last year, it was 54 feet and 7 tenths.

WE learn that Mr. Jamsetjee Dhunjeebhoy Patel, grandson to our well known and esteem-d townsman, the late Honorable Seth Framjee Nanabhoy Patel, has been appointed Superintendent of His Highness the Guicowar's *Nazar Pagga*, the Guicowar's irregular Cavalry.

THE ELPHIN-STONE CLUB'S PANTOMIME.—To-night, at the Elphinstone Theatre, this piece is to be performed for the last time. It has already received well merited applause from large audiences, and no doubt its last representation this evening will draw a very large gathering.

A VAGRANT.—Frank Lawson, a European, was yesterday declared a vagrant by Mr. Nana Morojee, and was ordered to be sent to the Government Workhouse.

REFRACTORY SEAMAN.—J. Vincent, a seaman of the British ship Agnes Oswald, was yesterday sentenced by Mr. Nana Morojee to one week's hard labour in the House of Correction, for wilful disobedience in refusing to do duty on board that ship.

GAMBLERS.—Cursetjee Jamsetjee and eight others were yesterday charged in the Police Court, at the instance of Mr. Inspector Killeen, before Mr. Nana Morojee, with being found gaming in the public street. They were all adjudged guilty, two of whom being old offenders, were fined Rs. 20 each, and the rest Rs. 5 each.

LOST OR MISLAID.—A report has been made to the police by Mr. Charles Cook, of H. M.'s s. s. Undaunted, that on Friday, at 9 p. m., after leaving the London Tiffin Rooms in the Fort, he missed from his pocket a purse containing Rs. 45 in a currency note and cash.

ASSAULT.—Bicca Veljee, a Hindoo, was yesterday fined Rs. 15 by the Hon. Mr. Dossabhoy Framjee, on being adjudged guilty of voluntarily causing hurt to Mooljee Ramjee, by kicking and knocking him over a quantity of burning grass.

A REPUTED THIEF.—Shaik Kurreed Khodabux, a noted character, was yesterday sentenced by the Hon. Mr. Dossabhoy Framjee to four months' rigorous imprisonment in the Common Jail, on being convicted of stealing a pair of gold earrings set with pearls, and valued at Rs. 100.

CRIMINAL BREACH OF TRUST.—Kessow Pandoorung a dealer in hay, appeared yesterday before the Hon. Mr. Dossabhoy Framjee, at the Girgaum Police Court, and obtained a remand for the arrest of Govind Mahlow, on a charge of criminal breach of trust, and who had absconded with a sum of Rs. 46-8 on the 31st ult.

FIRE.—A fire broke out on Thursday evening last in one of the rooms of a house situate in Trimbuck Pachamia, and occupied by a dealer in waste paper. The fire broke out amongst a quantity of old paper, and an alarm being raised, it was speedily extinguished by neighbours and the police. Very slight damage was done to the house and property.

PROPERTY OF DECEASED PARSEES.—We understand that at the instance of Khan Bahadoor Dasvar Rustomji Kharshedji Sett, the head of the Parsee community, a petition to Government has been drawn up in English by Mr. P. M. Mehta, barrister-at-law, protesting against the application to the Parsees residing in the Mofussil of the Administrator General's Act 1874. That Act is felt by the Parsees to be obnoxious and inquisitorial, and interferes unseated to their habits of life and society. The petition will shortly be translated into the vernacular, and afterwards submitted to the Parsees for signatures. There is a strong feeling among the Parsees on the subject, and there can be no doubt that Government will lend a considerate ear to their prayer for relief. The bulk of native society comprised in this Province, the comprehensive denominations of Hindus, Mahomedans, and Buddhists, have already been specially exempted from the Act by one of its sections, and it would appear as if the Parsees were included by the merest oversight of the Legislative draftsman, under a law which is primarily intended for the protection of the property only of Europeans and such other foreigners as are suddenly overtaken by death in a strange land, where there are no next of kin or friends to take care of it.

MADAME TASCA'S OPERA COMPANY.

WE are glad to see that Bombay is promised a renewal of the pleasant operatic performances which obtained so great a popularity at the Grant Road Theatre about twelve months ago. Madame Tasca's English Opera Company is advertised to appear again to-night, not at the inconveniently situated theatre in Grant Road, which has for so long a time been the only place of amusement of this description in Bombay, but in the new theatre near to the Crawford Market, on the Esplanade. The pieces to be produced will be chosen from amongst the latest and best productions in England. With regard to the performers, it is unnecessary to say anything to secure recognition of the claims of such general favourites as Miss May, Madame Tasca, and Mr. Plumpton, and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon will no doubt be well remembered as belonging to the Company which played "Trial by Jury" and other favourite pieces here last season. The new theatre, which is to be opened this evening, besides having the advantage of a convenient situation, is commodious, well-appointed, and comfortable.

SPORTING.

BOMBAY RACES, 1878.

ADDITIONAL ENTRIES,

1st January 1878.

THE MAIDEN GALLOWAY PLATE.

Mr. B.'s	bag	Regent.	
„ Maunsell Plydell's ..	cah	Kamil.	

THE FORBES STAKES.

Mr. Maunsell Plydell's	bwg	Timbertop.	

BOMBAY DERBY.

Mr. Morris's	Ing	a	Ivanhoe.
„ B.'s	cah		Refus.
„ Maunsell Plydell's	gah		Dizraeli.

H. H. AGA KHAN'S PURSE.

Mr. Morris's	Ing	a	Ivanhoe.
„ Maunsell Plydell's	gah		Dizraeli.

SECOND DEALERS' PLATE.

15th December 1877.

Mr. B.'s	cac		Firefly.
„ Walter's	bah		Oasis.
„	gag		Ulwor.
„ Abdool Raymon's	bac		Huntsman.
„ Aga Mocchool Shah's	gah		No Doubt.
H. H. Aga Khan's	cag		Sweet William.
„	bac		Farhad.
Mr. Abdool Rizzack Dobakel's	bah		Swift Leg.
„ Abdool Moosain's	gac		Dranzar.
„ Ali bin Ameer's	gac		Moktar.
„	cac		Osman.
„ Ahmed Advanee's	cag		Malta.
„ Mazibed bin Mehssony's	gag		Frog.
„ Jasein bin Fedd's	gac		Snowiman.
„	gac		Cohelan.
„ Jamasjee Cowasjee's	bah		Shelley.

1st January 1878.

Major Burton's	cag		Little John.
Mr. Warre's	gac		Wildfire.
„ B ns	bag		Sulleman Pasha.

BOMBAY CLUB CUP.

1st December 1877.

Mr. Warre's	gac		Wildfire.
„ T.'s	bag		Baby.

1st January 1878.

Mr. B.'s	bag		Regent.
„	cac		Red Deer.
„	bah		Scamp.
„ Raikes's	cah		Kitano.

RATES OF GRAIN IN KATTYWAR.

MARKET rates of grain, &c., ruling at the undermentioned places in Kattywar, on December 24, at lbs. per Rupee:—

Names of Talukas.	Wheat. per Re. lb.	Bajri. per Re. lb.	Juwar. per Re. lb.	Rice. per Re. lb.	Ghi. per Re. lb.	Gram. per Re. lb.	Grass. per Re. lb.
Rajkot Station	15 / 18½	16	16 / 19½	9 / 12	1 35 / 2	15 / 16½	34
Rajkot	16	17	19	12	2	...	...
Jamkhandla	16	16	22	12	2	...	...
Khambhalia	14	22	24	12	1 30	...	...
Jorya	18	19	20	10½	2	...	...
Morvi	13	20	20	11	2	Not given.	Not given.
Dhrol	18½	17	22	12	2	...	...
Dhanwad	15	17½	20	12	2	...	...
Gidhuwala Station	16	16	20	12	2 10	26	80†
Wadhwan	16	16	20	13	2	22	‡
Limri	15	17	18	12	2	23	100
Dhonka	17	20	20	12	2 10	16	60
Muli	15	15	17	11	2	16	70
Chotila	16	16	18	10	2 5	18	‡
Thanjhuwara	17	18	18	12	2 10	18½	‡
Chuna	16	17	18	13½	2 5	17	80
Dhrangadra	16	18	...	10	2 15	24	‡
Sayla	15	17	21	12	2 25	19½	70
Bajana	16	18	22	14	2 10	18	40*
Dassara	18	20	22	10	2 10	21	‡
Jasdan	15	15	17	10	2 10	15	...
Manawadar	17	17	18	11	2	...	50*
Bantwa	17½	17½	18½	12	2	27½	184
Mankwara Station	15	15	15½	11½	2	15	...
Jafarabad	22	20	28	16	2 15	28	...
Gondal	15	15	17	10	2	14½	40
Dhoraji	14½	16	16½	10½	2	14½	40
Rafala	19	17	18	14	2	...	...
Waria	16	18	20	11	2	...	...

§ Kirtan. * Pulis of karbi. † Not given. ‡ Not obtainable in large stock. + Pulis.

CHOLERA AT JEDDAH.

THE following telegram from the Resident at Aden, dated the 31st December, has been received by the Government:—

"Austrian steam-ship Polluce arrived from Jeddah to-day. Bill of health states epidemic cholera has appeared at Mecca and Jeddah, upon the occasion of one case of small-pox, is healthy, and proceeds to Bombay. Arrivals from Jeddah and neighbouring ports placed in quarantine."

REPORT FROM THE POLITICAL RESIDENT, ADEN,

For the week ending the 26th December.

SANAA.—The Mosheer has ordered twenty of the ulenas and respectable syuds to be placed under arrest for corresponding with Syud Mosbin al Shebaree.

BERBERAH.—The port of Bulher, having been declared open, as already reported, many buggalows with merchandize on board went there for trade. Ayal Younus received them with great delight, and traded with them most amicably. The Somalis were very careful not to molest or displease any of the merchants. Many of the buggalows have returned to Aden with a quantity of ghee, hides, gums, myrrh and other articles. Ghee, which was selling at very high rates, has now been reduced in price in Aden in consequence. In the end of November last, Redwan Pasha visited Bulher by the Sanitarium with 50 Egyptian soldiers and 100 Somalis of Ayal Ahmed. The Pasha's intention was to bring about a settlement between Ayal Younus and Esa Moosa, but the latter having objected to such a step, the Pasha proceeded to Esa Moosa's village and attacked them, and having captured 190 camels, he then returned to Berberah. Esa Moosa then attacked the villages of Ayal Younus and plundered about 500 sheep, which were retaken by Ayal Younus, who also captured two of the Esa Moosa men. Ayal Younus reported that when occurred to Redwan Pasha, and he set out against the Esa Moosa who fled. Redwan Pasha, however, captured 53 of them and returned to Berberah. Soon after this, the Esa Moosa tribe attacked Berberah, captured 300 camels, and plundered 900 sheep and a Kafilah of 100 camels loaded with goods belonging to Ayal Ahmed. Nearly all the merchants, seeing that there was abundant trade at Bulher, have gone there, and Redwan Pasha has sent a clerk and four or five saptyas to levy the quit rent at Bulhar.

THE INTERIOR.—The ex-Sultan, Hoossain bin Ahmed at Fadhlee, left the Alawi country during the night, passed through Kyamisha to the Fadhlee hills, and went to Shaik Haidera Munsoor, the Shaik of the Hanashee tribes (subtribe of the Fadhlee), with whom it was reported he had been in correspondence. The Maar people entered the Turkish territory on the Amir route, and are now in Shorwan, in the district of Taiz.

THE CALCUTTA RACES.

EXTRA DAY, 2ND JAN.

The following is the result of the Calcutta races:—

FAREWELL HANDICAP.

Chorister	1
Royal	2
Thisbe	3

Time—2-20.

PONY HANDICAP.

Encore	1
Cantata	2
Gazette	3

Time—52.

STEWARDS' CUP.

Scamp	1
Corcesbee	2
Navarino	3

Time—2-39.

RACING CUP.

Nimblefoot	1
Octoroon	2
Thisbe	3

Time—1-57.

WINDING-UP HANDICAP.

Cardigan	1
The Count	2
Greyleg	3

Time—1-41.

THE DURBAR AT MADRAS.

THE ceremony of presenting, in Public Durbar, the Insignia of the most Exalted Order of the Star of India by His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos, G.C.S.I., to His Highness the Prince of Arcot, G.C.S.I., Mr. George Thornhill, C. S. I., the Rajah of Kalastry, C. S. I., and to A. Seshya Sastri Garu, C. S. I., took place, as had been arranged, on the evening of New Year's Day, and the proceedings connected with the occasion were of a very imposing nature. The leading officials of Government, Civil and Military, wearing their respective badges of office, the clergy in robes, and the bright dresses of the ladies who, by gracing the Hall with their presence, lent an additional *eclat* to the occasion, gave the whole scene a very grand appearance. Through the courtesy of His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos and the Ladies Grenville, *gosha* arrangements having been provided on the gallery of the Banqueting Hall, the ladies of the family of His Highness the Prince of Arcot were enabled to be present to witness the honors done to His Highness. Nor was the scene outside the walls of the Banqueting Hall a less interesting one. The troops of the garrison lined all the roadways, and His Grace's Body Guard dismounted formed up on the steps of the Banqueting Hall. A guard of honour, with band and colors, furnished by the Madras Volunteer Guards, paraded in front of Government House, and was under the command of Captain Willie Grant, Lieutenants Atkinson and Leonard doing duty as subalterns. A walk covered with red cloth was prepared from Government House to the Esplanade entrance of the Banqueting Hall, and it was lined by H. M.'s 67th Regiment. The crowds assembled on the Mount Road and on the banks of the Cooum, near the Government House, showed that they appreciated the important nature were taking place.

As the appointed hour, the procession started from Government House, and moved on in slow time, the Bands of the Volunteer Guards, the 67th Regiment, and of His Grace the Governor playing a grand march. Rajah Sir T. Madava Row, K.C.S.I., Dewan of the State of Bodo, who received the Insignia of the Order in 1867 from the hands of Lord Napier, joined in the Procession as Knight Commander. His Highness the Prince of Arcot was attended by his two brothers. The Rajah of Kalastri, a man of ripe years, looked in very feeble health, but the march seemed to be a great exertion to him. He bravely struggled in and ascended the steps of the Banqueting Hall with a little assistance.

The Procession having entered the hall, the members of the Order took the places appointed for them on the dais, right and left of the Governor's chair and remained standing till His Grace had taken his seat. The Hon'ble D. D. Carmichael, Chief Secretary to Government, by command of the Governor, declared the purpose for which the Durbar had been assembled, and called the names of the members summoned to receive the Insignia of their respective ranks, when each rose and answered as his name was called. The Governor directed the delivery of the Insignia to the new members to proceed in order of rank, the first being

HIS HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF ARCOT, G.C.S.I.

In presenting the Insignia, His Grace, addressing His Highness, said that it was with much satisfaction that His Grade delivered to His Highness the Insignia of the rank of Knight Grand Commander of the Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, which Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, Empress of India, had been pleased to confer on him. He was glad to be the channel through which the honour was conferred by Her Majesty on the leading representative of the Mahommedan community in Southern India and the descendant of one of the earliest and most steadfast allies of the British.

THE RAJAH OF KALASTRI, C. S. I.

This native nobleman was second in order to be presented to His Grace for the honor to receive the Insignia of a Companion of the Order of the Star of India. His name is well known in Madras through his charitable benefactions, and, among the large-acred gentlemen of this Presidency, he may be counted amongst the most conspicuous representative. His extensive domains lie in the district of North Arcot, yielding him a large revenue. In common with other proprietors of landed property in Southern India, the Kalastri Rajah has had to face the pressure of the season of scarcity which has fallen before his name, he has done his utmost to alleviate the sufferings of his people. It was a gratifying sight to see the good old man led forward by the Hon'ble D. F. Carmichael to receive the honors.

In delivering the Insignia, His Grace said that it gave him much pleasure to present to the Rajah of Kalastry the Insignia of a Companion of the Order of the Star of India which Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, Empress of India, had been pleased to confer on him. It was to be recollected that the British, in their early connection with this Presidency, had been associated with the ancestors of the Rajah and had received assistance; it was to them that the British owed their first substantial rule in Madras. Further, the Rajah occupied a position amongst his countrymen which gave him the opportunities of doing much good by his influence. His Grace had therefore much pleasure in presenting him with the Insignia and in trusting that the Rajah would be long spared to enjoy the honours.

Next to be presented to His Grace was

GEORGE THORNHILL, ESQ., C. S. I.

In electing Mr. George Thornhill, as one worthy of holding a rank in the Most Exalted Order of the Star of India, Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen and Empress of India had picked out not only one of the oldest, but also one of the most prominent members of the Civil Service of this Presidency. For upwards of thirty years has Mr. Thornhill's connection with that service lasted in various capacities, and, in every one, it was his fortune to win golden opinions both as regards his affinity, his zeal, and his devotion to the interests of the Government he served. He has lately been well known as a member of the Board of Revenue, and his assistants was most invaluable in several important commissions.

His Grace, after presenting the Insignia of a Companion of the Order to Mr. Thornhill with due ceremony, said that he was very glad to deliver to a member of the Madras Civil Service, the Insignia of a Companion of the Order of the Star of India conferred on him by Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, Empress of India. His Grace added that Mr. Thornhill's service in connection with the administration of this Presidency had extended for upwards of thirty years, and during that period he had experienced some most trying times and had proved himself to be a most able and deserving official. In addition to the satisfactory record of services which Mr. Thornhill could claim previously, His Grace, during the short time he had been Governor of this Presidency, was able to bear testimony to Mr. Thornhill being a willing, zealous, intelligent and able member of the Madras Civil Service. His Grace had therefore much pleasure in presenting Mr. Thornhill with the Insignia and in trusting that he would be long spared to enjoy the honour he had so deservedly earned.

The last to be presented was

SESHYA SASTRI GARU, C. S. I.

The same ceremony as in the previous cases having been observed, His Grace presented the Insignia of a Companion of the Order of the Star of India to Mr. Seshia Sastri, and in doing so, referred to the public services rendered by him as an official of this Government and of the enlightened assistance afforded by him in the administration of the affairs of the State of Travancore.

The Durbar was closed by the departure of his Grace the Governor from the Hall in procession, marshalled as on entry, the Band playing a grand march.

THE STATE RAILWAYS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE STATESMAN.

SIR,—The management of State Railways, is a subject which I earnestly hope the Government of India will inquire into closely. It believes any longer to close our eyes to the fact that, from the first, the greatest mismanagement has prevailed on all these lines, both during and since their construction; and, as there are no signs of improvement, I fear that Government has either blinded itself to the facts, or else has been misled by those who are directly responsible for existing defects.

Let me first instance the case of the Punjab Northern State Railway. The complaints that reach us daily, during this line, is that the goods arrangements are defective, and that both traders and passengers are needlessly inconvenienced by want or care and attention on the part of the staff. In a brief letter, it is not possible to explain fully the causes of these things. The main cause is one undoubtedly over centralization. This is well illustrated by the fact, that the pay of the native staff is the same for all lines: the scale is fixed in an office at Simla, and allows of no flexibility. Taking for granted that, clerks can be got for exactly the same pay in Burmah, in the Punjab, and in lower Bengal. The officials of the Punjab N. S. Railway have to do their best to get efficient men on those terms, and when they fail, they can hardly be held blameable. On the Rajpootana State Railway—the longest of the State lines, and one that is held up as a model—travellers complain of the unpunctuality of trains. The detentions are said to be chiefly owing to the fact that water should fail, because the water along the line is unsuitable for locomotives. That there is a difficulty in procuring good water at many stations, must be admitted, but any one who has been in Rajpootana is aware that good and bad water are very often to be found within a short distance of each other. And when we ask why wells have been sunk in places where the water was bad, we find that overcentralization is again the root of the evil. When the railway was being constructed, type dredging of wells, a thing were sent out from a Simla office; the plans of stations showed the relative positions of the station-houses and wells. The most convenient places were chosen for the station-houses, and no choice was left but to dig the wells in the positions laid down by the type drawings. It thus became a mere matter of chance, whether the water was good or bad.

And now we come to an important question:—These type-drawings emanated from Mr. Molesworth's office, and I should like to know whether he was driven to this piece of over-centralization, by the incompetency of the working staff to originate anything for themselves—an incompetency which, during the Rajpootana line was first laid, as of any magnitude undertaken by Government, I can readily believe existed amongst engineers whose time for the most part had been passed in such provincial works as road making and cantonments. Mr. Molesworth's reputation as an Engineer, and more especially as a Railway Engineer, in such that we are forced to look elsewhere than to him for the causes of failure, and as we have before us cases of standing incompetency, we the more readily associate him from blame.

Railway engineers will scarcely believe, that on one occasion when a turn table had to be put up, the Executive Engineer, his Assistant, and all his staff of subordinates, utterly failed to put it together. Luckily, however, the Assistant of Messrs. Glover and Company was at hand to show the State Railway engineers what to do. Quite lately, an ash-pit was constructed, in which was found the best gravel, which had been made for drainage if, consequently after each shower of rain, it had to be baled out. But why multiply instances of this sort? The two I have given are enough to prove that ruinous incompetency did and does still exist.

On the Rajpootana line, much the same difficulty exists as on the Punjab Railway, as regards the procuring of competent men for the salaries offered; and this fact would have become painfully manifest, had there been a famine this year on the East Indian. That is sufficient for us even, there is a want of smartness in the men, and a general air of slovenliness throughout the Railway, and it is very much to be doubted, whether any extraordinary pressure of traffic would not lead to something like a collapse of the entire organization. With all this, be it remembered, the working expenses are from 68 to 69 per cent. of the earnings, or, to make it plain to the general public, about twice as much as those of the East Indian Railway.

Of the Holkar State Railway, I know little; but that little is not to credit to the authorities. The railway was at first worked without a staff of officials accustomed to working an open line. As regards the management of the locomotives, the placing of men in charge of them who had no proper technical knowledge, led, as might have been expected, to their being very needlessly injured. The effect of having no proper traffic officials was, that goods were delivered without receipts being taken, and as there was a good deal of difficulty in proving who had taken the goods, claims to the extent of over a lakh of rupees had to be paid on suits for non-delivery. In the face of this, it is curious that both the Bengal, Northern, and Burmah lines are now being worked without traffic officials; and we may reasonably expect that on these lines, the same blunders will occur, as happened on the Holkar Railway.

Technical knowledge relating to railways, is a necessity which Government does not seem to appreciate. I have shown that, when lines are under construction, there has been a want of technical knowledge of engineering matters; we have next the fact that on all these railways the locomotive stock has been more or less injured, before proper mechanical engineers were appointed; and thirdly, I have shown that no respect was manifestly injured, away on the Holkar line, for want of the technical knowledge that any lad, who had been in a goods-shed for a week, would have had. I shall return to this subject again before long, and point out other causes that have brought about a state of things which calls loudly for remedy.

INSPECTOR.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY COMPANY.

REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS.

THE fifty-sixth half-yearly general meeting of the proprietors was held at the City Terminus Hotel, Cannon Street, London, on Friday, Dec. 7th, 1877. Colonel Hellard in the chair.

The Managing Director (Thos. R. Watt, Esq.) read the notice convening the meeting, and the Report was taken as read.

The Chairman:—Gentlemen, in reviewing the work of the railway for the last six months, it has been a matter of very great satisfaction to your Directors, and I have no doubt will be to yourselves, that we have been able to do so much towards the mitigation of the misery which has afflicted the Southern provinces of India, by the aid of our railway. (Hear, hear.) It will also, I am sure, be a matter of some satisfaction that we have been able to give this efficient aid without sacrificing your interests; and that, although we have carried vast quantities of food grain to the southern provinces at the lowest rates, and at rates much lower than they were only a few months ago, yet that we have made what I may call a fair and reasonable profit for the shareholders. (Hear, hear.) On examining the figures appended to the return, that vast quantities of produce we have carried, but you will see that it has been mainly in food grain for those provinces. You will also observe what is a very satisfactory item in our returns, that we have carried a very fair addition to our usual number of passengers. I am glad to say that, in every half-year for some time past, that has been going on steadily increasing; and we have every reason to believe that it will continue to increase. No doubt, the famine that has lately occurred will, to some extent, for a time check the prosperity of some portion of those who are in the habit of frequenting our railway; but that will be only a passing event. We hope that the evil effects of the famine will soon pass over, and our prosperity remain unchecked. (Hear, hear.)

Gentlemen, as an instance of the work done by the railway during the half-year under review, we have stated in our report that the mileage has increased to nearly 1,400,000 miles. Those large figures of themselves convey, perhaps, any very definite idea of the work done, but I may state that on analysing them it would appear that every goods and passenger engine on our line has, during the half-year, traversed on an average 15,000 miles, or at the rate of 30,000 miles per annum, a rate far exceeding anything known in the history of railways, and about 50 per cent. beyond the average rate of mileage prevailing throughout Great Britain. That I think will give you an idea of the amount of work that has been done. This enormous amount of work could not have been done without very great strain upon our resources both of men and engines. Our staff were for a long time, I may say night and day, upon our engines, and our engines have suffered because we had not sufficient to do the work as thoroughly as we could have wished. The strain upon our engine staff no doubt caused some slight breaches of discipline. Upon more than one occasion, I am sorry to say, a train has been known to run past a danger signal with guard, driver, and every one upon it fast asleep. It is marvellous that so little damage has been done. It has been our duty to note severely when any case of the kind has occurred, but we must admit that much commiseration at any rate is to be felt for men subject to such a frightful strain in an Indian climate. (Hear, hear.)

The only accidents to life or limb during the half-year have been among our own staff. Not a single member of the public has suffered. (Hear, hear.) We have also incurred some loss by the occasional breakage of weak axles, some under our own wagons, and some under the wagons of other Companies which we hired. As before this mentioned on different occasions that our wagon stock was originally constructed at a time when cotton was the great staple commodity carried in bulk—that is, loose cotton; and consequently our wagons were not constructed to carry a large quantity, did not require powerful axles. They were made merely for the purpose of light cargoes of loose cotton. We have been fast replacing these axles with more substantial ones. We should have replaced them much faster than we have done, if we had been in possession of our long expected workshops. But our locomotive department, like the executive of the Rajah and the officers of Indore, fail, because the water along the line is unsuitable for locomotives. That there is a difficulty in procuring good water at many stations, must be admitted, but any one who has been in Rajpootana is aware that good and bad water are very often to be found within a short distance of each other. And when we ask why wells have been sunk in places where the water was bad, we find that overcentralization is

NOTICES.

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GREAVES, COTTON & CO.
Bombay, January 1, 1878.

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GREAVES, COTTON & CO.,
Secretaries and Managers.
Bombay, January 1, 1878.

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By order,
GEO. HILEY
Store-keeper.
Store-keeper's Office, Agra, 19th December, 1877.

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